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In reply refer to
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Dear Mr. Pratt:

Reference your letter of July 18, the Department of State has not received a report on the Sabena Airlines crash at Brussels on February 15, 1961. Our Embassy at Brussels has determined very recently that such a report has not yet been issued. The Embassy has informed us further as follows:

Belgian Aeronautic Administration officials state that technical tests are still being conducted, in Belgium and elsewhere, of the components of the aircraft concerned. No positive information has been revealed by the tests conducted to date. A final report on the accident will not be issued until all test possibilities have been exhausted. Our Embassy was unable to obtain any estimate as to when the investigation will be completed.

I will be happy to notify you when any further information is available.

Sincerely yours,

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